

**Remarks/Arguments:**

**A. Status of Claims and Amendment**

Claims 1-3 and 7-33 are pending in the application. Claims 1-3, 7-15, 31 and 33 are withdrawn herein, as being directed to non-elected inventions.

**B. Restriction Requirement as to Invention**

Restriction to one of the following inventions has been required under 35 USC 121:

- I. Claims 1-3, 7-15 and 32 drawn to a rotary bit;
- II. Claims 16-30 and 33 drawn to a method; and
- III. Claim 31 drawn to an apparatus.

Applicants elect the invention of group II, Claims 16-30 and 33, which read on the elected invention.

Claims 1-3, 7-15, 31 and 32 directed to the non-elected inventions, are withdrawn herein, with the right to rejoinder.

**Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, entry of this amendment and early allowance of the elected claims are respectfully requested. Should any matters remain which can be resolved by a telephone conference, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 970-256-7720.

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